

**REMARKS**

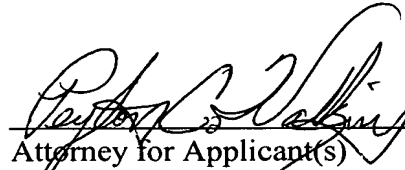
The Office Action dated April 23, 2004 has been received and reviewed by the applicant. Claims 1-5 are in the application. Claims 1-5 stand rejected. Claims 1-5 are canceled, and claims 6-8 are added. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Cosatto et al. (6,112,177) in view of Francini et al. (6,532,011). The Examiner is thanked for the references and the rejection. In light of this, new claims are added which more precisely define the invention.

Should the Examiner consider that additional amendments are necessary to place the application in condition for allowance, the favor is requested of a telephone call to the undersigned counsel for the purpose of discussing such amendments.

For the reasons set forth above, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and favorable action are respectfully solicited.

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